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NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE OBJECTIVES

Under the authority of National Security Council Intelligence Directive 4 and for the purpose of providing guidance for the collection and production of intelligence:

1. By virtue of their relevance to the national security and to the formulation of National policies, National Intelligence Objectives, generally applicable to all foreign areas, shall be the determination of:

a. The intentions, current activities and probable future activities of the USSR with regard to the area under consideration.

b. The intentions, current activities and probable future activities of the government or governments in the area with regard to domestic affairs, including the basic human freedoms, governmental controls, and domestic propaganda.

c. Internal or external forces affecting the stability of the present government or governments in the area, including its party strengths and main current political issues, and their probable future developments.

d. The important foreign policies of the area, its current objectives and probable future relations with the UN, the U.S., the USSR, and with other countries.

e. The susceptibility of the area to political or economic influence by such other countries.

f. The current and anticipated themes and trends in the area's foreign propaganda.

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g. The present and anticipated military capabilities of the area, particularly as to the distribution and allocation of its manpower, industrial and logistic effort to its ground, sea and air forces.

h. Current trends in the developments of new weapons and of new organizations both within and without the armed forces.

i. Its war potential and grand strategy now and in the foreseeable future including present and future mobilization capabilities and the morale of its armed forces.

j. The current and anticipated status of the foreign trade of the area as seen in its trade agreements, trade balances, and trade channeling.

k. The present and anticipated economic stability of the area and the extent to which it depends on outside economic assistance.

l. The current and anticipated status of the transportation and communication facilities of the area, of its food supply, of its financial situation, and of its proven reserves of natural resources.

m. Any significant relocations of the labor population or any new industrial methods or techniques in the area which might indicate scientific activities having a bearing on our national security.

n. The present status of scientific activities and their probable developments in the foreseeable future.

o. Existing or potential factors in the political, military, or economic situation of the area contributing to or jeopardizing our national security, and their probable developments in the foreseeable future.

2. The National Intelligence Objectives stated above are established for the following purposes:

a. To serve as a guide for planning the production of intelligence material;

b. To serve as a general guide to agencies formulating specific

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...quests for intelligence information;

    <u>c</u>. To preclude the necessity of preparing and issuing individual National Intelligence Requirements, as such, for each country or area.

    3. The Central Intelligence Agency, in collaboration with other agencies concerned, shall establish and maintain on a current basis priority listings of National Intelligence Objectives, by country and/or subject.

    4. Approved priority listings prepared in accordance with paragraph 3 above, shall be appropriately disseminated by the Central Intelligence Agency.

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